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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Babak REZVANI et al.  
Serial No. : 09/698,764  
Filed : October 27, 2000  
For : ADAPTIVE METHOD FOR AMORTIZING  
AUTHENTICATION OVERHEAD  
Group Art Unit : 2134  
Examiner : Ellen C. Tran

**RECEIVED****OCT 04 2004****Technology Center 2100****AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to an Office Action dated March 26, 2003 and in accordance with the Examiner Interview on August 26, 2004. A Petition For Three Month Extension Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is filed herewith. Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend page 29, second full paragraph, to read as follows: